



Docket No.: 043876-0162

PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277  
John MOUSSOURIS, et al. : Confirmation Number: 5073  
Application No.: 10/757,851 : Group Art Unit: 2183  
Filed: January 16, 2004 : Examiner: Eric COLEMAN  
For: METHOD AND SOFTWARE FOR PARTITIONED FLOATING-POINT MULTIPLY-  
ADD OPERATIONS

**STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Statement submitted in response to the Examiner's Interview Summary mailed on May 23, 2006, relates to a telephonic interview of October 1, 2006 between Examiner Eric Coleman and Applicant's representative Michael A. Messina.

It is noted that, in the Examiner's Interview Summary, the last name of Applicants' representative is misspelled.

As correctly indicated by the Examiner, during the interview, Counsel and Examiner discussed the outstanding 35 U.S.C. §101 rejection of computer readable medium claims 12-22 and data signal claims 23-32. Regarding computer readable medium claims, the Examiner suggested that the §101 rejection might be overcome if these claims were amended to limit their scope to a storage medium, as opposed to a transmission medium. The Examiner had no

suggestions regarding how the data signal claims might be amended to overcome the §101 rejection.

Applicants would like to acknowledge, with appreciation, Examiner Coleman's courtesy and professionalism in conducting the telephone interview.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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